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LETTER DATED 4 AUGUST 1995 FROM THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY
ADDRESSED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CONFERENCE

Subject: Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

On the occasion of the adoption without a vote by this Conference of the Agreement, the European Community wishes to stress that it remains faithful to the mandate given to the Conference by the United Nations General Assembly and confirmed in article 4 of the Agreement.

According to this mandate, "the results of the Conference should be fully consistent with the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea", thus reflecting the balance between the rights and obligations of coastal States and those fishing in the high seas as enshrined in the Convention.

The European Community, through its competent authorities, will evaluate the Agreement in order to see whether this mandate has been achieved.

We should be grateful if you would arrange for the present letter to be circulated as a document of the Conference.

for the
Commission of the European Community

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for the
Council of the European Union

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